

RUSSIANS LAND IN FRANCE TO SUPPORT THE WESTERN ALLIES

Marseilles Is Gay With Bunting And Crowds To Welcome Large Contingent Of Slavic Troops

MARSEILLES, France, April 20.—via Paris, April 21.—France's principle seaport was gay with bunting today in honor of the arrival of a force of Russian troops, the first public manifestation of greater cooperation and unity of the entente allies, growing out of the conference at Paris. The Associated Press correspondent who witnessed the disembarkation of the troops, was informed in a high quarter that the arrival of the Russians was chiefly a demonstration of Russia's friendship and the French army is not short of effective men. Further, it is believed that the European war must be decided on the western front, and feels, therefore, that the Russians have come so that all elements of the allied hosts may be present when the decision is reached.

This feeling manifested itself in enthusiastic cheering as the columns of men filed down the gangplanks, and marched through the city, singing their characteristic marching choruses. The Russians are all picked men. Most of them are decorated with the St. George Cross. Some of them have five decorations. The men were delighted to get to their quarters after the sea voyage.

The French, British and Serbian officers stationed here are vying with each other in fettering the visitors. The general commanding the Fifteenth Army, Desfleur, gave a dinner in honor of the Russian officers tonight at which delegates to the government, and the superior officers of the allied forces were present.

SEARCH FOR LOST CHILD

IDAHO FALLS, Idaho, April 20.—Vigilance search is in progress for Alvin Empey, a girl of seven years, who disappeared after leaving home for Sunday School last Sunday morning. There is a strong belief that she has been kidnapped as a result of the conviction of Alvin Empey, who kidnapped the child's uncle, Ernest Empey, last July and held him prisoner in the mountains for 10 days before Empey escaped. Bean is now serving a sentence of 10 years in the Idaho state prison for his act.

LEGISLATURE BACKS WILSON ALBANY, N. Y., April 20.—The Republican legislature of New York in the closing hours of the session tonight adopted a resolution pledging its support to President Wilson and Congress in any action necessary to maintain the nation's honor and its willingness to support Governor Whitman in any exercise of authority for that purpose to the full extent of the resources of the state.

The resolution was drafted after a series of conferences in which Governor Whitman and leaders of both parties participated.

D. A. R. IN CONVENTION ASSEMBLED



Top, Mrs. William Cumming Story (left) and Mrs. J. C. Burroughs-Bottom, Mrs. Joseph E. Ransdell.

The Daughters of the American Revolution are holding their annual meeting in Washington, D. C., this week. Among the prominent figures in the society are Mrs. William Cumming Story of New York, president-general; Mrs. J. C. Burroughs, widow of former Senator Burroughs of Michigan, corresponding secretary-general; and Mrs. Joseph E. Ransdell, wife of Senator Ransdell of Louisiana, treasurer-general. The organization has a membership of about 115,000.

NO FARTHER SOUTH.

CHIHUAHUA, Mex., April 20.—The government organ here today published an interview with Colonel J. L. Herrera, father of General Luis Herrera, mayor of Parral in which the latter said that had instructions from General Luis Gutierrez, Chihuahua state commander, to request the American troops not to advance farther south than Santa Cruz de Villagras, situated fifteen miles north of Parral, where they now are.

MAY USE RAILWAYS.

TORREON, Mex., April 20.—Colonel Brown, in La Boquilla, is reported here to be arranging with General Luis Herrera at Parral, by telephone, for the use of the railways to facilitate the withdrawal of the American troops.

LORIMER CROSS-EXAMINED

CHICAGO, April 20.—Cross examination of Wm. Lorimer, charged with conspiracy and embezzlement in connection with the failure of the La Salle Street Trust and Savings Bank, is expected to be completed tomorrow. Mr. Lorimer remained on the stand all day and much of his testimony bore on statements of state's witnesses, that they had warned him against Charles B. Munday, managing vice-president of the bank.

BRITISH BARK SUNK.

LONDON, April 20.—The British bark Ravenhill was sunk Tuesday. The crew was saved and landed today, according to Lloyd's. The Ravenhill was a vessel of 1,385 tons.

FEAR ATTACK UPON SHIPS IN INTERIM

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been handed a supplementary note in regard to the case of the Sussex. Press dispatches have declared the supplementary note contained the statements of Weiss and American passengers that a mine and not a torpedo was responsible for the accident. Washington was deluged with telegrams during the day. Great numbers which arrived at the White House, congratulated President Wilson for his stand. Congressmen representing districts with large German populations protesting against any action by Congress which might lead to a war between the United States and Germany.

Senators and congressmen were reluctant to enter into any discussion of the situation. The address by President Wilson repeats in the respective committee dealing with foreign affairs. It was sent to the committees for their information. No formal action on it is possible.

W. J. Bryan, former secretary of state, came to Washington today. Representatives Bailey and Galaway of Texas, met him at the station and had luncheon with him. He decided not to disclose his plans, but said he had come to render any aid possible to prevent trouble between the United States and Germany.

"I was on my way to New Orleans to deliver an address," he said, "when the news reached me that a crisis in the submarine controversy with Germany had arisen. I cancelled all engagements and hurried to Washington, not with any definite plan but with the hope that I could be of some assistance in preserving peace."

"Since my arrival today, I have had several conferences with prominent Democrats. I expect to have more conferences within the next two days. Beyond that time my plans are indefinite."

"I am hoping for two things in this present grave situation—first—that Germany will accede to the position of the United States; second—that she does not start diplomatic relations with a view to reaching an amicable settlement of the trouble."

"We must remember that there is nothing final between friends. A rupture between this country and Germany would be unfortunate, indeed. If this dispute should end in war it would be unequitable."

"We are going to work to preserve peace if possible. Our plans are tentative and I cannot discuss them at this time."

Tonight Mr. Bryan attended a testimonial dinner, given to the widow founder of a fund for the promotion of the single-tax doctrine. He was so hoarse that he spoke with difficulty and explained that he had caught cold as a result of having his hair cut while in the west.

"The responsibility for declaring war is on Congress, not upon the President," said Mr. Bryan, in his statement, "and it is fair to assume that when the duty of acting falls upon Congress, the President will be willing to refrain from embarrassing congress as he was anxious that he should not be embarrassed."

In a speech at the dinner tonight, Mr. Bryan declared it would be a crime for the United States to enter the present war under any circumstances. He insisted that harm done America by any of the belligerents has been incidental to the war. It was false diplomacy, he declared, that was leading this country toward war, and militarists and munitions manufacturers were responsible for it.

Recalling that Germany had agreed to the principles of the peace treaties, which he, as Secretary of State, negotiated with many nations, and under which the parties pledged themselves not to go to war pending an investigation of the dispute, Mr. Bryan urged that settlement of any quarrel which the United States might have with a European nation should be delayed until after the end of the year.

Mr. Bryan spoke of the measures of success obtained by the Ford pen mission, which he said was reflected in the Nebraska primaries. A dozen members of congress attended the dinner, and the speakers included representatives Slayden of Texas, and Keating of Colorado, who denounced war.

NOTE DELIVERED.

LONDON, April 20.—The American note to Germany was handed in at the German foreign office Thursday evening by Jas. Gerard, the American ambassador, according to the exchange Telegraph's correspondent. The chancellor, the correspondent adds, has not yet seen the note, as he is at army headquarters but he has communicated with the foreign office by telephone.

There is little comment in the German newspapers as yet, but what there is, is violent against the American cabinet and President Wilson. The papers will publish the text of the note Friday morning. A majority of the papers say they will withhold comment until the text is published.

The foreign office has ordered the press both of Berlin and of the provinces to exercise the greatest care in expressing views on the American situation.

GERMANY AND MEXICO.

MEXICO CITY, April 20.—Herr von Eckhardt, German minister to Mexico had two long conferences today with General Venustiano Carranza, head of the de facto government at the national palace.

The first conference was held in the forenoon and lasted the greater part of an hour. This afternoon, the minister returned for a longer private conference. Neither at the palace nor at the German embassy could any information be obtained as to what transpired at the conferences. The German minister said his visits to the Chief of state had no significance, being merely calls of courtesy.

SCOTT'S REPORT MAY CLEAR UP SITUATION

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DOUGLAS, Ariz., April 20.—Reports reaching here today from Naco state that the garrison of 150 de facto Mexican troops had become insubordinate because of the low price of the constitutional money. The men are reported to be paid two pesos per day in de facto currency and this is being received at two and a half cents gold on the peso by merchants, under government orders. Their wage is equivalent to five cents, American money.

Major Mesa is said to have calmed the men temporarily and marched them out of town to prevent an outbreak.

A rumor that Villa sympathizers had set fire to a bridge 15 miles south of Douglas is not believed. The bridge being out prevented the passenger train from the south coming to Agua Prieta. The bridge will be completely repaired by morning and the regular service resumed tomorrow.

Local Mexicans who visited General Calles at Fronteras today report that he is confined to his bed by sickness, but expects to return to Agua Prieta Saturday or Sunday and resume his duties.

Consul G. Leveque stated today that the de facto troops in Sonora will be held stationary in their present camping places until the outcome of General Scott's visit to the border has been learned. He says that General Calles feels confident that the Americans will be withdrawn.

STRATEGY IS GIVEN OF BANDIT CHASE

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just long enough to prevent the possibility of reaching their goal.

After Guerrero, began the present stage, when it was learned that Villa's bodyguard, and almost surely Villa himself, had started southeastward from Guerrero. Four small columns first entered this chase, one on Villa's heels, starting three days behind, and cutting down the lead hourly through terrible mountain passes, while two other columns of cavalry flanked this chase, one east and another west of the Villa trail, to catch him should he deviate in either direction. Colonel Dodd meanwhile moved toward the vast mountain ranges in the southwest of Chihuahua, to prevent the fugitives from circling back into those almost surely safe refuges.

Finally, a few days ago, when it was seen that Major Frank Tompkins, leading the chase directly on Villa's trail, with only 114 men, was heading for the unfriendly Parral country, a fifth cavalry column was sent over a direct line to close up on Tompkins' rear.

The long anticipated break from Carranzistas came at Parral on April 12. Within a few hours after that fight, four of the American columns, following the general plan, had joined Tompkins near Santa Cruz, about fifteen miles north of Parral, making a body of troops strong enough for any emergency.

Dodd, with the strongest individual column, remained in the west guarding the fastnesses.

Fifteen hundred men comprised these flying columns when they started from Casas Grandes. A little more than half of them remained at the front the day of the Parral battle. The others had been dropped through the necessity for food, the deaths of horses, and their own semi-nakedness, due to the rigors of day and night riding and occasional fighting among jagged mountains, rocks, thorns and the bitter snow and cold of the Guerrero region.

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